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SUBJECT: GEODSS PROJECT

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1. THE AMBASSADOR TOOK THE OCCASION OF A CALL ON ROYAL COUNSELOR REDA GUEDIRA AUGUST 4 TO MENTION BRIEFLY OUR CONTINUED INTEREST IN WORKING OUT THE MODALITIES OF ESTABLISHING THE MOROCCAN GEODSS SITE. THE AMBASSADOR RECALLED IN PARTICULAR THE PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING GIVEN THE MFA LAST NOVEMBER 30 FOLLOWING THE KING'S INDICATION TO HIM EARLIER IN THE YEAR THAT HE WOULD WELCOME SUCH A FACILITY, AND THE SUBSEQUENT VISIT OF A TECHNICAL TEAM TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE SITES. THE AMBASSADOR ALSO NOTED THE PRACTICAL NEED OF PREPARING FOR A NECESSARY TECHNICAL TEAM WHICH HE UNDERSTOOD WOULD LIKE TO COME THE NEXT MONTH OR TWO. GUEDIRA REAFFIRMED THAT THE PROPOSED MEMORANDUM WAS IN THE ROYAL CABINET. HE COULD NOT, HOWEVER, BE DRAWN OUT ON ANY LIKELY TIMETABLE FOR A GOM RESPONSE.

2. COMMENT: WITH OUR MILITARY ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP WITH MOROCCO STILL ENCOUNTERING DIFFICULTIES, IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT GOM IS DILATORY IN REACTING. WE SUSPECT THAT IT WILL REQUIRE SOME SUCH EVENT AS A BREAKTHROUGH ON THESE DIFFICULTIES
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OR A RESCHEDULED VISIT TO THE U.S. BY HASSAN TO UNBLOCK MATTERS. MEANWHILE WE WILL REMAIN ALERT TO OPPORTUNITIES TO ELICIT GOM MOVEMENT ON THE PROJECT.
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